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Famous Large Contingent.

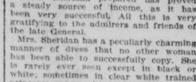
Chicago property a valuable investment, and in addition the biography which General Sheridan prepared has proved a steady source of income, as it has been very successful. All this is very statifying to the admirers and friends of the late General.

Mrs. Sheridan has a peculiarly charming manner of dress that no other woman has been able to successfully copy. She is rarely ever seen except in black or white, sometimes in clear white trained princesse gowns with her dark hair colled smeathly on top of her head. The poise of her head is just as proud and her carriage as graceful as six years ago, when one regards Mrs. Sheridan an impression is left that a real true woman is standing there—not a creation of colleties and fade and fashlons.

MRS. MADELINE DAHLGREN.

MRS. MADELINE DAHLGREN. Mrs. Dahlgren is one of the widows who not only bears the name of a famous bushand, but she herself has added to the importance of the name.

MRS, KATE SPRAGUE CHASE.



MRS. AUDENREID. Mrs. Audenreid is the leader among the

colony in a society way. She is wealthy, very popular, and when Mrs. Audenreid takes a person or affair up it is sure to end in a triumph. She belongs to the inner Washington set, and is always sought for by the highest official society. Her husband was General Joseph Au-denreid of General Sherman's staff. Seve-ral years ago their daughter became the

the last three years.

Mrs. Audenreid is a leader in many charitable movements and a prominent member of the Washington Club of

form part of the colony of wildows who have elected to abide in Washington. CONSTANCE HENER.

There is a large contingent of army and navy widows who are extremely



BRILLIANT WIDOWS.

There is always something about an fall to her set.
Most of these women are especially interested in charities, and the good works of the Capital profit largely by their en-

There is Mrs. Crook, wife of the Indian

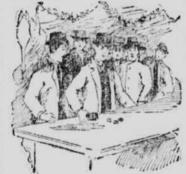
Told in the Cloak Room at the Capitol

of This Broad Land of Ours is Observed-Interesting Stories.

Ladles, as well as of the several very select and small circles, where a few women meet to discuss burning topics of the day and phases of society.

The Pacific coast members and other coast members are considered. main in Washington or visit some outly their Christmas in their own peculiar way. They have plenty of picked-up codfish, tongues and sounds, pork and beans, Esterhazy, whose first husband was General Gibbon, who died of yellow-fever. Mrs. Gibbon then married Count Maximilian Eseterhazy, who has now been dead a number of years. The Countess lives with her mother, Mrs. Carroll, in

tion. As he entered the lecture-room of





his mouth, and there are spirits on the side-table. Aside from this there are sprats, tongues, slices of German sausage, and cheese with a multiplicity of names and flavors. There are more and flavors.

rilles than country dances, and more waltzes than quadrilles. Among the dances there is an interminable cutilion; the dancers standing around in a ring and the partners being distributed at random; a card or watchword is given to two persons of different sexes and the Norwegian takes half a dozen whiris with the lady whose card corresponds with his own. After this she resumes her place, while the Norwegians spin around in search of fresh partners. There is what is called a halling dance, in which the Norwegians turn somersaults and at times sink so low that their knees get

IN KENTUCKY. (Correspondence of the Dispatch.)

WASHINGTON, December 29.—It would be interesting to know how all members

The Hon. Alexander B. Montgomery, of Kentucky, gives a good idea of Christinas celebrations in his State. In some of the congressional districts the day is

The most negular feature of the stranger.



VISITING ON CHRIST
MINNESOTA

o, there are juba dances, and the few re-

was led into the stream by the officiating clergyman. He seemed to be afraid of the creek. The preacher led him out where the water nearly reached his armpits. After repeating the usual formula he endeavored to immerse him. The he endeavored to immerse him. The frightened convert slipped from him and went down the stream. The current was quite strong. After a good deal of spiuttering and splashing he managed to reach the opposite shore. There he climbed upon a worm fence, surrounded by a sympathetic country. out to those around him, "Some Kentucky gemmen is done gwine to lose a nigger, wif such foolishness as dis 'fore long."

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of the scrub palmetto, and set in the sand at the rim of the weil. It weighed at least 199 pounds.

In the morning Dougherty and his comprades started for the weil. In a light cannoe they threaded the channel between scores of mangrove islands and began to crawl beneath the roots toward the weil. Suddenly they heard a terrific moaning, followed by feroctous growling and savage cries. It was evident that there was a bear in the trap. They approached the animal with caution. The trap to his mouth and lick his paws and lick his paws, making heartrensing moans. Suddenly they heard a control to the trap to his mouth and lick his paws, making heartrensing moans. Suddenly they heard a strate to the trap to his mouth and lick his paws, making heartrensing moans. Suddenly they heard a control to the trap to his mouth and lick his paws and hill the air with moans, the trap against the butt of the trae. Overcome by the pain he would again lick his paws and fill the air with moans, at one to the mouth of the trap and all, but finally gave up in the trap to light the control of the

times sink so low that their knees get nearer the ground than their heels. A leap in the air has to be made and some part of the wall to be touched with the toe. Boen enjoys these dances immensely, A secret wedding occurred at Columbus three days ago under most unusual cir-

parties and been married to each other nearly twenty years ago, and quite re-cently separated by divorce.

The bridegroom was John Walsh, one of the best-known and most respected citizens of Columbus. His bride was his former wife, Josephine, an accomplished and refined lady, whose friends are num-bered among the oldest and best families of the city. Mr. Walsh is an extensive of the city. Mr. Walsh is an extensive or the city. Mr. Waish is an extensive real-estate dealer, and has long been one of the wealthlest men of the north side. Mr. and Mrs. Waish occupied an elegant home, and their married life, until of representations. It is to be a quiet time wherein the Dresident can lie meen the big cauch ment from her husband. Every one who people, or those of them who also knew Mrs. Walsh, were sure that she had been a good and faithful wife. Therefore it soon came to be understood that Mr. and Mrs. Walsh, were sure that she had been of trivial controversies and a mutual desire to avoid further disputes, had agreed to permanently disagree by separating forever. Mrs. Walsh took the decisive to and her suit was uncontested. She

jo, there are juba dances, and the few remaining old plantation negroes are in the seventh heaven of delight. Occasionally Campbellite preachers celebrate the day in baptizing new converts.

A story told by Mr. Asher G. Caruth is worth repeating here. It was before the war. A negro preacher had been holding a powerful revival meeting. Many negroes, some bad and others worse, had been converted. All were to be baptized on Christmas-Day. The immersion was in Blue Liek creek. Several women had been baptized, when a tall, powerful Ethiop was led into the stream by the officiating clergyman. He seemed to be afraid of the creek. The preacher led him out where the water nearly reached his armplits. After repeating the usual formula he endeavored to immerse him. The frightened convert slipped from him and

gave me to you."

Mr. Walsh thrust back the deeds to the property, and in their stead took to his arms the woman whose undying devotion had replaced her upon that pedestal in man's heart which can be occupied only by his wife. A marriage-license was

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WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23 --Christmas in the White House will be a sadly agice. It is at present the intention of Mrs. Cleveland to spend the day quietly with Christmas-trees and presents for all, and an abundance of holiday sometimes known on Christmas-Day, and without the acceptance of any invitations

President can lie upon the big couch which has been built under the broad window in his wife's room, and play with little Huth and enjoy getting acquainted with the new baby, whose first Christmas spent inside the historic walls of the President's house.

AT THE WHITE HOUSE

How its Many Mistresses have Observed
Christmas Good Day.

MRS. CLEVELAND SPENDS IT QUIETLY.

She Makes it a Festival Only for Her Family and Servants With Good Thiogs to Eat and Presents.

(Correspondence of the Dispatch.)

AT THE WHITE HOUSE is much as Mrs. Cleveland admires jewels, she has expressed a wish that ne more of them be added to her collection, as those which she received on her marriage were more than sufficient to fill a big jewel-case. Hers is full to overflowing, and there will be enough to furnish heirlooms for years to come for the children will get so many presents from friends from all over the world, Cabinet officers, members of the diplomatic corps, and politicians that the sites will have to be carted away to be stored somewhere, as were those of Miss Ruth on her first Christmas two years ago, although at that time she was only the daughter of an ex-President.

OTHER CHRISTMAS-DAYS.

THREE CENTS PER COPY.

OTHER CHRISTMAS-DAYS. The White-House Christmas-Days have always been interesting; and, strange to say, there has been some special feature about many of them which has been really worth remembering.

really worth remembering.

Martha Washington, who never had the pleasure of living in the White House, but after whose maiden home it was named, took such a friendly interest in it and its mistress, that on Christmas-Day she sent Mrs. John Adams a cooked haunch of venieen, knowing that the White House was all upset by carpenters. Mrs. Washington, in a private letter written just afterwards, says: "I was horrised to the sent afterwards and the sent afte

Mrs. Washington, in a private letter written just afterwards, says: "I was horrified when I called to find clothes hanging up to dry in the Blue Room and the President and his wife eating cold mutton upon a bare table."

Dolly Madison, whom Mrs. Cleveland resembles in many ways, made a great festival out of Christmas-Day, and was criticised far and wide for her extravagance in throwing open her doors to all guests and serving them with home-made wises and black fruit-cake; while from wines and black fruit-cake; while from



served in an appropriate manner. All the old traditions are to be remembered, and such new features a deal as will make the day the pleasantest the old walls have ever known. And why should it not be so? This is the first time in the history of the country that the President has ever gathered his own young children about him for a Christmas celebration, and the first time that a President's baby has ever got acqualated with Santa Claus.

2-HARRIET LANE:

But presidential plans are apt to be thwarted, just as are those of commonplace people; and it may be possible that a midnight train will spirit the little family away to the piney glades of Lakewood, where the climate will be soft enough for Miss Esther to be taken out to see King Christmas as he appears to other children.

But a White-House Christmas is Mrs. Cleveland's ideal one. She has been making ereat propagations to have it ob-

mberless people all over

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MRS. DAHLGREN.

There is Mrs. Crook, wife or the main fighter, and Mrs. Admiral Porter, whose husband died within a few years. In the quaintest of oid-fashioned cottages on Capitel Hill, beside the home of Representative Springer, lives Mrs. General Lauder, who was Jeen Davenport.

MRS. SHERRILL. One of the wealthy widows is Mrs. Sher-rill, whose husband was to the time of his sudden death credited with having more power over the actions of Congress

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